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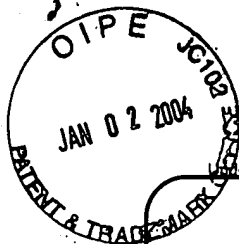


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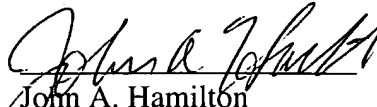
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Application Serial No. 10/720,595	Filed: November 25, 2003*
Applicants: Edward R. Dovner, et al.	Examiner: TBD
Attorney Docket No.: 6353-102	Confirmation No.: TBD
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Applicants of the above-identified patent application respectfully petition the Director for a correct filing date under 37 CFR §1.10(d).

REMARKS

On November 24, 2003, the above-referenced patent application was deposited with the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) to be delivered by the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service of the USPS, using Express Mail Label No. EL449600880US (copy of Applicants' Utility Patent Application Transmittal form is enclosed). A "Track & Confirm" search

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Applicants subsequently received a return postcard (copy enclosed) indicating that the USPTO had accorded the application a filing date of November 25, 2003. Upon review of the Express Mail mailing label (copy enclosed), Applicants discovered that the "date in" entry as entered by the USPS was listed as November 25, 2003. Applicants believe this entry is incorrect. As evidenced by the USPS "Track & Confirm" detail sheet, Applicants believe that the application was deposited with the USPS on November 24, 2003 and delivered to the USPTO on November 25, 2003. Accordingly, as specified in 37 CFR §1.10(a)(1), Applicants believe that the filing date of the above-referenced patent application is November 24, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request a favorable decision regarding correction of the filing date in the above-referenced patent application, in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.10(d)

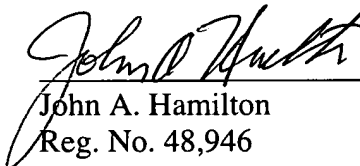
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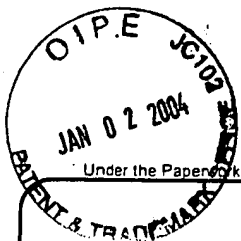
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Attorney Docket No.	6353-102
First Inventor	Edward R. Dovner
Title	Resistive Elastic etc.
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